TRAGEDY TOLD IN ABANDONED CAMP OF GREELEY

DISCOVER THE CAMPS OF OLD EXPEDITIONS

Prof. McMillan and Aids Find Stopping Places of Illfated Greely and Hall Parties-Mute Testimony of Tragedies of the North.

19 .- On Board Canadian Steamer Tyria off Battle Harbor, Labrador, Sept. 16, via Tyrian to North Sydney, Nova Scotia, Sept. 19.—Precious relics, paid for in human life and mute evidence of the awful toll that Arctic exploration bas exacted since three centuries ago when man first tried to reach the earth's axis, Book Given By the were gathered by Donald N. McMillan, an instructor at the Worcester Academy. These relics, into the possession of which have been interwoven at least, four tragedles, were found on the site of the last camp of the Greeley expedition, the camp of the ill-fated polar dash under Commodore Hall and in the

tion, the camp of the ill-fated polar dash under Commodore Hall and in the other trip of later date where no fatalities marred the voyage of those who struggled toward the l'ole.

McMillan, who is an enthusiast in the matter of polar work, although his trip with Peary was his flist experience in that line, found these links that pind the tragedles of the past with the crowning achievement of the present during the trips that he took after the big nail had been found. The simplicity of his tale of his discovery only serves to accentuate the grimness of the disaster that overtook the brave men who comprised the party.

McMillan's Feelings

On Scene of Desolation.

Each step of his account means a fresh grip upon one's feeling, and McMillan himself says that when he stood alone at the scenes of desolation and turned over in his hands those evidences of death and disaster his emotions welled within him. He was over-

ences of death and disaster his eme tions welled within him. He was over- Hymn Book Belonging come, and even when he retold his ex-periences on the dirty deck of the "Another of Kirstingbury." sevelt he had to wipe his eyes several times. His story is as follows:

"While I was at Cape Sheridan in ten Lieutenant Kisslingbury, U. S. A June I thought I would take several from his old friend and well-wishe ten 'Lieutenant Kisslingbury, U. S. A. June I thought I would learn the author, George W. Clark, Detroi sledge trips and see what I could learn about the country, its geology, the habits, customs, and religion of the people. So I took a sledge and started with the Eskimos and went along the east coast of Grinnell Land to Fort longe had been established. Stickpins and other articles of jewelry I found seattered afound. conger. This was sixty miles from the cape. Here I stumbled across the last camp of the Greeley expedition of 1881-84. Here I found relies of the expedition, all of which were in the same condition as when they were discarded by the ill-fated explorers. I found coffee, hominy, canned rhubarb, canned potatoes, breakfast food, and all sorts of supplies. They were just as good as ever, and I practically subsisted on them all the time I was there.

Found and Wore

General Greeley's Coat.

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"General Greeley's military overcoat with the buttons on it was about the first thing I discovered. I wore the coat, and while I stayed there I gness I must have worn at one time or another the clothing of all the men in the expedition. On the ground I also found the trunk that had been carried by Sergt. David L. Brainard. It was as good as new and I used it as a shelter from the winds. Here were

as good as new and I used it as a shelter from the winds. Here were records, that had been made of the caches of provisions which had been stored along the route, and showed that to the coast of Labrador. The other vast quantities of food had been left to the coast of Labrador. The other there when the mem started south to members were rescued by the steame

wast quantities of food had been left there when the men started south to Cape Sabine, where seventeen of the twenty-five members perished.

"The men had been taken to Foit Conger by the steamer Proteus, and had been told to await her arrival the next year. During the winter the steamer tried to get through, but was crushed in the ice. Before orders had been issued that if the steamer did not arrive, the party was to make its way to the south, and reach Cape Sabine. When the Proteus failed to arrive, the party started. The men were told to discard all baggage except nine pounds, and in order to lighten their loads to that extent these goods, stores, and parsonal belongings were thrown away. It was these that I had found after a lapse of almost thirty years. Those members of the party who did not perish at Sabine were rescued by Commodore, afterwards Rear Admiral, Winfield S. Schley, on his relief expedition.

What Was Found

Members were rescued by the steamer Ravenscrag, of Dundes, Scotland, Captain Hall. I found all the ropes, sails, and clothing that had been abandoned. They were in a most excellent shape. The salis were like new.

"One of the most striking relies that I found here and one that showed the proclivities of the owner was a record of all the horses trotting in America. It had been written in the owner's hand, and embodied a description and record of all the trotters and trotting marks in the history of the turf.

"On another sledging trip I ran across and Markham, who made an expedition in 1875 and 1876. I found crockery, coal bags, wood, and cartridges. A peculiar than across a hand pubnicart that this expedition had to carry their supplies from the ship to the camp. The tracks of the cart still remained in the sand as sharply defined as when they were first made. I took photographs of these tracks and have the plates now.

About Deserted Camp.

Comes Upon Dishes "Fluttering about the camp was a slip Of the Amundsen Party. of paper that had been taken from the flyleaf of a note book. It was a veritable voice from the dead. Written as belonged to Jacob Schunah. His wife the introduction to a speech at a ban- was cooking dinner. She passed me the quet that the expedition had evidently arranged to kill the monotony of the thought it was rather strange to find a

arranged to kill the monotony of the long winter, the words were in the nature of a chaffing of the various members of the party. The author, little knew at the time that he penciled his words that they would be found almost a generation afterward, the simple story of a tragedy of the Arctic.

"Here I also found other papers and magazines. Carefully placed between the pages of a magazine were several photographic plates that had been taken by George W. Rice, who was the official photographer of the expedition. The magazine was still readable despite the fact that it had been the

GAVE UP HIS LIFE

Prof. Marvin Drowned in Ice Lead With No Help Near.

NORTH SYDNEY, Nova Scotla, Sept. off Battle Harbor, Labrador, Sept. 16, via Tyrian to North Sydney, Nova Sco tia, September 19.—Massachusetts claim the distinction of having received the Pole by Commander Peary, as it was one of her citizens who read the an-"One of the relics that choked m when I found it and brought the tears nouncement of the achievement sent out to my eyes, was the flyleaf of a book by the explorer. Prof. Donald McMillan, of Worcester Academy, is the man. It was written up in these words He and George Borup were far away 'Lieut. Frederick Kisslingbury, to my dear father from his affectionate son from Cape Sheridan on the north coast of Greenland making observations, when The two Eskimos whirled into their camp on their sledges, bringing a note which

"S. S. Roosevelt, April 28, 1909.

"My Dear McMillan:

"Arrived on board yesierday. Northern trip entirely satisfactory. There is no need of Greenland depots. Captain came on board on the 24th. Concentrate all your energies on tidal observations and line soundings north from Cape Morris K. Jessup. Use supplies intended for me for this purpose.

"R. E. PEARY."

It had been decided by Commander Peary before he started on his dash for the Pole that upon the return to land of several of his supporting parties of several of his supporting parties upon it. No trace of him could be found, as he evidently had been cwept the men in command should start out to make a survey of the northern shores of Greenland and proceed along the lice cap. Prof. McMillan was ordered to take Prof. Ross G. Marvin, with him as soon as the two should be back from the lee field, and then proceed East with supplies which were to be cached all along the shore. Just be started out from the ship two Eskimos, Kood-Look-Too and In-U-Ghilloo, were seen far out on the lee making their way to the land as fast as they could. When they got near the look of the could when the got near the could. When they got near the could, when they got near the could when the seen the founds for their movements to be distinguished, it was seen that they were a pointing down the ice. They came into the vecsel with tears in their eyes and trying, Young ice, young ice."

A similar tablet inscribed in a like fast of hot test and permitted as way. They had been following close upon his the current or the body hidden by the turning of the ice.

The Eskimos explained the death of The Eskimos for the accident he had gone out upon the side that early on the morrhing as they could. They said that early on the prepared to move. He had his break fast as they could. When they got near tracks when they came to an open lead, in the center of which was seen his body, held up by a small air sack that forms as wident that he had made a fast as they could. When they got near the could be the could be as they could. When they got near the could be a seen far out on the lee making the could be a started out to be distinguished, it was seen that they were a desperate effort to free himself from his form as wildent that he had made a fast as they could. When they got near the could have a soon as the could be a soon as the cou

"Another of Kisslingbury's possession

which was found was a temperance hymn, on the flyleaf of which was writ-

up by the steamer Tigress, of New-

DR. COOK FALSIFIED, DECLARE MEN ON SHIP

Peary's Sailors Who Were Left to Guard Supplies Declare That the Commander Took No Stores Belonging to Brooklyn's Explorer.

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S., Sept. 19.—Or from the Roosevelt by Commander board Canadian steamer Tyrian, off Peary. I also told him that was good Battle Harbor, Labrador, September 16, enough for me, and the stores were

via Tyrian to North Sydney, September ours. He got huffy and started off. Left at Etah to guard the supplies the Pole. Two Eskimos, E-Tuck-A-Shu aken ashore when Commander Peary and Ah-Pel-La, did not know anything gave the word to sail to Cape Sheridan, about the North Pole either. I asked

William Pritchard and John Murphy, members of the Roosevelt's crew, both state that Dr. Cook falsified when he claims that Peary took any of his stores. In addition, Pritchard says that Dr. Cook was in camp for several days, yet he never mentioned that he had reached the Pole.

"Dr. Cook came into our camp," said Pritchard, "and we treated him right. He was exhausted, his dogs had died, his cledges were broken, the Eskimos were nearly dead, and his stores were almost emptied. We told nim, Murphy and I, to stay as long as he wished, and we would look out for him.

"He had not been there two days before he started an argument. He claimed some of the stores were his, I told him that I saw them put ashore.

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About the North Pole them a dozen times where it have he deen, and all they would say would been, and all they would been, and all they say the bean very deep deen, and all they would been, and all they say the bean, and the first north. I hav

sledge standing at the edge of an open lane with boxes, whip, and all the possessions of Prof. Marvin stacked upon it. No trace of him could be found, as he evidently had been gwell.

their dogs as fast as they could. They rushed into the camp and hinded Prof. McMillan the note telling of the discovery of the Pole. With the aid of the professor, the Eskinos gave a yell that would make a good one for the 1910 colad discovered the North Pole. To pay fitting tribute to Prof. Marvin, 'lege classes,



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